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Table 3.2.2009

Estimated number and rate of violent and property victimization

By type of crime, United States, 2002-2005, 2007- 2009^a

Type of crime	2002	2003	2004	2005	2007	2008	2009
Number of victimizations							
All crimes	23,036,030	24,212,800	24,061,140	23,452,100	22,879,720	21,312,400	20,057,180
Violent crimes^b	5,341,410	5,401,720	5,182,670	5,162,400	5,177,130	4,856,510	4,343,450
Rape/sexual assault	247,730	198,850	209,880	190,600	248,280	203,830	125,910
Robbery	512,490	596,130	501,820	630,100	597,320	551,830	533,790
Assault	4,581,190	4,606,740	4,470,960	4,341,600	4,331,530	4,100,850	3,683,750
Aggravated	990,110	1,101,110	1,030,080	1,046,500	858,940	839,940	823,340
Simple	3,591,090	3,505,630	3,440,880	3,295,200	3,472,590	3,260,920	2,860,410
Personal theft ^c	NA	NA	224,070	229,500	194,060	136,710	133,210
Property crimes	17,539,220	18,626,380	18,654,400	18,060,200	17,508,530	16,319,180	15,580,510
Household burglary	3,055,720	3,395,620	3,427,690	3,464,500	3,215,090	3,188,620	3,134,920
Motor vehicle theft	988,760	1,032,470	1,014,770	981,900	979,640	795,160	735,770
Theft	13,494,750	14,198,290	14,211,940	13,613,800	13,313,800	12,335,400	11,709,830
Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and older or per 1,000 households							
All crimes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Violent crimes^b	23.1	22.6	21.4	21.1	20.7	19.3	17.1
Rape/sexual assault	1.1	0.8	0.9	0.8	1.0	0.8	0.5
Robbery	2.2	2.5	2.1	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.1
Assault	19.8	19.3	18.5	17.8	17.3	16.3	14.5
Aggravated	4.3	4.6	4.3	4.3	3.4	3.3	3.2
Simple	15.5	14.6	14.2	13.5	13.9	12.9	11.3
Personal theft ^c	NA	NA	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.5	0.5
Property crimes	159.0	163.2	161.1	154.2	146.5	134.7	127.4
Household burglary	27.7	29.8	29.6	29.6	26.9	26.3	25.6
Motor vehicle theft	9.0	9.0	8.8	8.4	8.2	6.6	6.0
Theft	122.3	124.4	122.8	116.3	111.4	101.8	95.7

Note: The National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) is conducted annually for the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics by the U.S. Census Bureau. These estimates are based on data derived from a continuous survey of a representative sample of housing units in the United States. For the 2009 survey, approximately 68,665 residents in 38,728 households were interviewed; each household was interviewed twice during the year. Response rates were 92% of eligible housing units and 87% of eligible individuals in interviewed households. In 2009, the total U.S. population age 12 and older was 254,105,610. The total number of households in the United States in 2009 was 122,327,660. The NCVS is based on interviews with victims and therefore cannot measure murder.

Users should note that due to changes in methodology implemented for the 2006 NCVS, the 2006 estimates are not comparable to NCVS estimates for other years and therefore have been excluded from tables showing trends. NCVS estimates for 2007-2009 are consistent with years previous to 2006. For survey methodology and definitions of terms, see [Appendix 8](#).

^aDetail may not add to total because of rounding.

^bDoes not include murder or manslaughter.

^cIncludes pocket picking, completed purse snatching, and attempted purse snatching.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Criminal Victimization, 2003*, NCJ 205455, p. 2; *2005*, Bulletin NCJ 214644, p. 2; *2007*, Bulletin NCJ 224390, p. 1; *2008*, Bulletin NCJ 227777, p. 1; *2009*, Bulletin 231327, p. 1 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice). Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.